

IN THE SPECIFICATION

page 3, line 16:

A equilibration tube 16 is configured within the ink receptacle 10 of the ink cartridge 1, at the bottom of the ink receptacle 10 an inclined opening 161 of a lower extremity of the equilibration tube 16 realizes a mutual passage with the ink receptacle 10 and provides for ink B within the ink receptacle 10 to enter the equilibration tube 16 therein, while at the top of the ink receptacle 10 an upper extremity of the equilibration tube 16 realizes a mutual passage with the atmosphere external to the ink cartridge 1. Referring to FIG. 3, which shows that when ink level of the ink B within the ink receptacle 10 is higher than level of the strainer 13, due to equilibration tube principle, leakage of the ink B from the rubber washer 15 of the ink cartridge 1 in contact with the nozzle area is prevented. Furthermore, the ink B will not spill from the equilibration tube 16. When the ink level of the ink B within the ink receptacle 10 is lower than the level of the strainer 13, the equilibration tube principle does not come into effect. However, the strainer 13 is supported by a retaining wall 17 that counterchecks the ink B from leaking out of the nozzle contact area, as well as preventing spillage of ink from the equilibration tube 16.